

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ELENA ELIZABETH OVANDO,

Plaintiff,

v.

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:21-cv-00030-SAB

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO  
PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS* AND  
DIRECTING CLERK OF COURT TO ISSUE  
SUMMONS

(ECF No. 4)

Elena Elizabeth Ovando (“Plaintiff”) filed a complaint on January 8, 2021, along with an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. On January 11, 2021, the Court reviewed Plaintiff’s application and determined that it was insufficient to demonstrate that Plaintiff was entitled to proceed without prepayment of fees in this action. Plaintiff was ordered to file a long form application within twenty-one days. On February 1, 2021, Plaintiff filed a long form application to proceed without prepayment of fees. The Court has reviewed the application and finds that it demonstrates entitlement to proceed without prepayment of fees.

On April 14, 2020, General Order Number 615 issued staying all Social Security actions filed after February 1, 2020 until the Commissioner may begin normal operations at the Office of Appellate Hearings Operations and may resume preparation of a certified copy of the administrative record. The Court shall order that the complaint in this action be served and the matter will be stayed once service has been effected on the defendant. Plaintiff is hereby

1 directed to paragraph 1 of the scheduling order to be issued in this action, which directs that the  
2 summons and complaint shall be served **within 20 days of the filing of the complaint.** Plaintiff  
3 shall promptly file proof of service with the Court upon completion of service.

4 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 5 1. Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is GRANTED;
- 6 2. The Clerk of Court is DIRECTED to issue a summons; and
- 7 3. The United States Marshal is DIRECTED to serve a copy of the complaint,  
8 summons, and this order upon the defendant if requested by the plaintiff.

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10 IT IS SO ORDERED.

11 Dated: **February 2, 2021**

  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE